

REMARKS**Status of Claims**

The Office Action mailed November 17, 2005 has been reviewed and the comments of the Patent and Trademark Office have been considered. Claims 55-121 were pending in the application, with claims 90-108 withdrawn. The withdrawn claims 90-108 have been cancelled without prejudice and no claims have been amended or added. Therefore, claims 55-89 and 109-121 are pending in the application and are presented for reconsideration.

Substance of Examiner Telephone Interview of January 10,2006

Applicants' representative Mark Triplett thanks Examiner Nga for the telephone interview of January 10, 2006, in which Applicants' invention and the cited Buist reference were discussed. The discussion resulted in agreement that the Buist reference does not show the limitations of Applicants' presently claimed invention, and as a result, Applicants' presently claimed invention overcomes the Buist reference. No other reference was cited in the rejection.

Prior Art Rejections

In the Office Action, claims 55-89 and 109-121 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. patent 6,408,282 to Buist (hereafter "Buist").

As discussed in the interview, the pending independent claims 55, 78, and 109 are directed to a method (or device) for processing and displaying market data associated with a trading strategy involving at least two commodities on at least one electronic exchange with the particular features recited in the pending independent claims. Since these features are not disclosed or suggested by Buist, the pending independent claims are believed to be patentable over the applied prior art.

The dependent claims are also patentable over the applied prior art for at least the same reasons as the independent claims on which they ultimately depend. In addition, they recite additional patentable features when considered as a whole.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment because it is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. The withdrawn claims have been cancelled and the remaining claims are believed to be distinguishable over the applied prior art. If there are any questions regarding the application, or if an examiner's amendment would facilitate the allowance of one or more of the claims, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the local telephone number below.

Should additional fees be necessary in connection with the filing of this paper, or if a petition for extension of time is required for timely acceptance of same, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deposit account No. 19-0741 for any such fees; and applicants hereby petition for any needed extension of time.

Respectfully submitted,

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